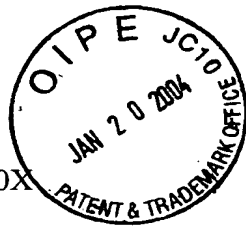


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SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed October 21, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.